



Blue Thumb Water Pollution Education



“Connection
Before
Protection”

Exciting Topic!



Revisiting our early experiences



Lives were shaped



Our role in helping
others to
“get it”





Goal is to protect our water resources



Nonpoint Source Program - Education



Cost-share Programs



Motivation

Activities &
events in the
Great Outdoors



Buy in has happened



Some are ready
for “molding”

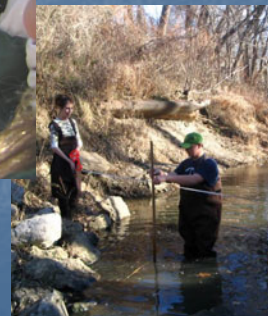


Observations





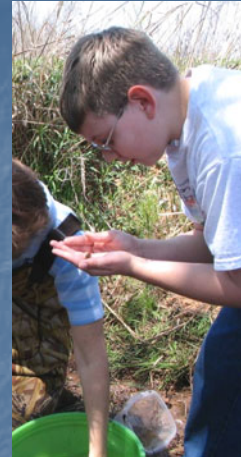
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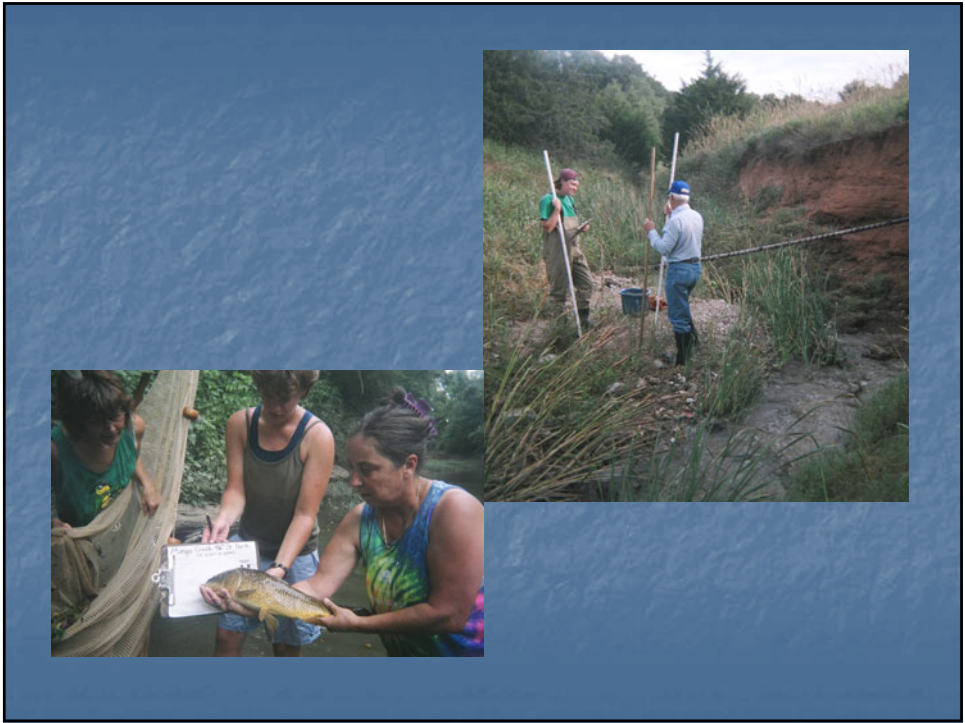






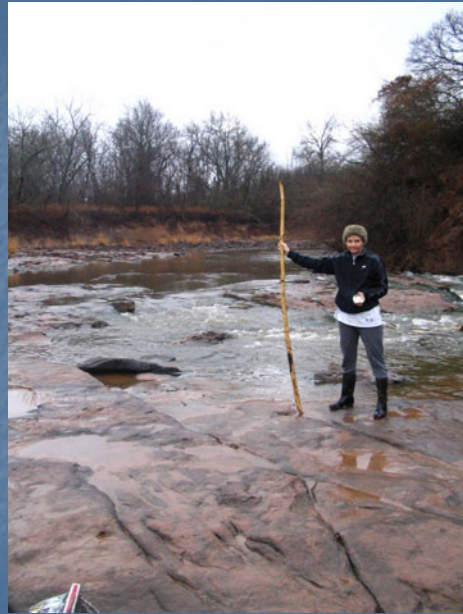
Structure & Free Time











"Creeks, rivers, & streams are special to me. I value them for recreation and I get spiritual sustenance from them. I want to believe we can make a difference."

Karen Pope, volunteer



"Continual observation at my site has shown me how Spring Creek has reacted to changes in the watershed. Watching these changes has given me a sense of the dynamic system that is the urban stream and what we can do to it as we live the life of suburbia."

*John Harrington,
volunteer*

Gage High
School
Blue Thumb
Stream
Team



"Every year one of our high school science classes continues the Blue Thumb monitoring. We even publish our results in the local newspaper because our citizens are interested in the health of Wolf Creek."
Kay Fiel, volunteer and teacher



"Ultimately, we all have to realize that we are all, each and every one, responsible for our stream's health and that we have the power to preserve natural resources for future generations."

*Tim Steen, volunteer
18 years old*



